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PRESS RELEASE

Mayor Bennett Reminds Everyone to Stay Safe When Around Fireworks

Terre Haute – Independence Day is just a few days away and Mayor Duke Bennett is reminding citizens to be safe while enjoying the holiday.

Below are tips from the National Council on Fireworks Safety:

- Observe local laws and use good common sense.
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix-have a designated shooter.
- Use fireworks outdoors in a clear area away from buildings and vehicles.
- Always have water ready when you are shooting off fireworks.
- Never relight a "dud" firework wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water.

Fire Chief Jeff Fisher adds to the list saying, "keep a close eye on children while using fireworks, and keep an extinguishing agent nearby." Chief Fisher went on to say "clean up after yourself and be courteous of pets who may be frightened at the noise."

Mayor Bennett also wants to stress the personal responsibility of each citizen in Terre Haute. "Be a good neighbor, be safe, and use common sense. Let's all enjoy a safe and fun-filled Fourth of July holiday."

Terre Haute will be celebrating Independence Day at Fairbanks Park on July 4th. The Terre Haute Community Band will begin their performance at 8:00 PM with a fireworks show beginning at dusk. Food vendors and glow products will be available for purchase.

Details about firework regulation can be found on the City's webpage at terrehaute.in.gov/fireworks-guidance.

About the City of Terre Haute

The City of Terre Haute is home to over 60,000 residents, 23 parks, and 36 miles of trails and greenways. Terre Haute received the Community of the Year Designation by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce in 2010 and has been named a Tree City USA for 16 consecutive years. To learn more about Terre Haute, visit TerreHaute.In.Gov.

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